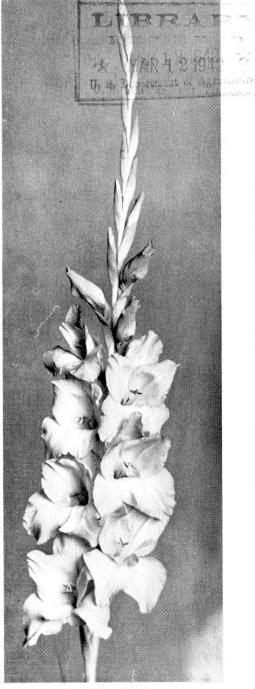
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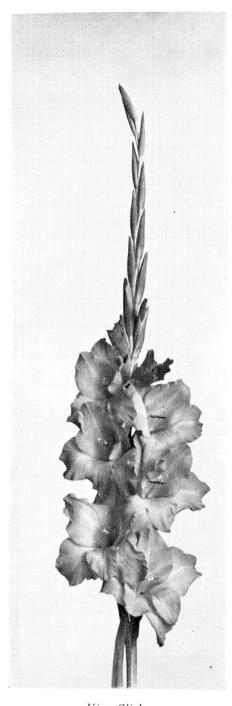


Treasury Gold

Home of Champions



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King Click Described on Page 9

INTRODUCTORY

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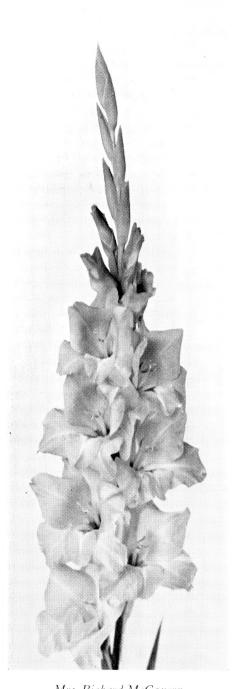
In the swing of another year and what promises to be a profitable one in the glad game in the good old U. S. A. at least, our heartiest thanks to all our customers (friends) for their support, which has enabled us to maintain that high standard in our introductions, as 1941 show reports substantiate. Some producers fear open competition in their color classes with their pets. We travel far and wide to win laurels with our originations, not just at a home show where it is easiest to win. Two thousand, eight hundred miles in a truck, exhibiting at six shows in 1941. Sixty percent of our spikes were damaged on the trip to Chicago, still our varieties were good enough to win sweepstakes three spike exhibition open. Exhibiting at six major shows in one year, showing our own originations only, and winning the awards herein described is a mark for other hybridists to shoot at. Results of which you will find throughout this small catalogue giving full data.

Major Accomplishments. Most blue ribbons three spike open W. Va. Sweepstakes three spike open exhibition at both Empire State and Midwest. In sdlg. classes Empire State, eleven H. M. out of twelve entries and runner up champion sdlg. Ohio State, best dec. sdlg. and American Home Achievement. Southeastern Mich., American Home Ach., best ex. sdlg. and highest scoring sdlg., both different. Midwest, best small dec. sdlg., best ex. three spike sdlg. Champion sdlg. Wellsville. Sixteen other blue ribbons on sdlgs. alone.

A fine growing season with plenty of rain has produced a large crop of fine bulbs for us. More gain for our customers, in that it allows bigger cuts in 1942 prices and more liberal filling of orders, one thing we are famous for and in which we expect to outdo ourselves this season.

Please do not ask to catalogue our originations at present as we are run ragged handling our own sales. Cataloguers can secure special prices on planting stock and blts. for their own growing on nearly all our varieties.

With the exception of a very few, which are show glads only, Wilson originations were in big demand on the wholesale cut flower markets to which we had access by truck within a radius of 100 miles, the past summer. Our wholesalers had customers waiting for our glads.



Mrs. Richard McGovern Described on Page 13

1942 RELEASES

AMERICAN HOME

Commander Koehl X Picardy

(90 Days) . . . Big exhibition bronze red. Unique in type and color. Good propagator. Blts. not so large but germinate and grow. Good performer in field and show. Sixty inches tall, 20 buds, 9 open, 6 inch floret, 29 inch flowerhead. American Home Achievement Southeastern Mich. Champion sdlg. Welslville. H. M. Empire State. First exhibition three spike sdlg. Midwest (Chicago). Only itmes shown. All 1941. Large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.25; small, 70c; blts., 30c or 12 for \$3.00.

SILVER BANQUET

Picardy X Bill Souden

(95 Days) . . . Large exhibition silvery frosted orange. Fine propagator and grower. First three spike sdlg., runner up for champ. sdlg., winner American Home Achievement at Ohio State. On very close decision, runner up for American Home Ach. Southeastern Mich. 1941 only times shown. Large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.00; small, 50c; blts., 20c; 14 for \$2.00.

PURPLE SUPREME

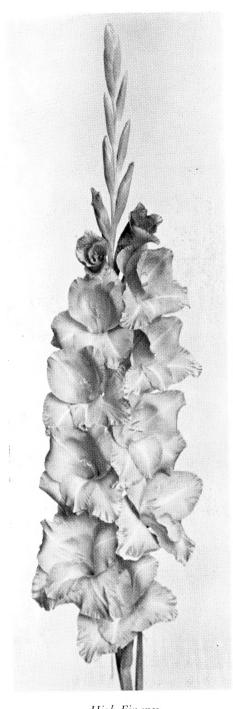
Charles Dickens X Paul Pfitzer

(85 Days) . . . Tall ex. purple with picotee edge. Heavy propagator. Should obtain the winning show room popularity of Purple Classic. Quite a sensation with visitors to our gardens. Shown at two shows in 1941 for the first time as sdlg. under number. Sectional champ, Ohio State and H. M. Empire State. Tall strong grower. Large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.00; small, 40c; blts., each, 15c; 14 for \$1.50.

BEAUTY CLYNIC

Peggy Lou X Janet

(85 Days) . . . Light salmon pink with clear cream throat. Wide open. Heavily ruffled. A real pastel beauty and how. Ex. type. Strong propagator and good doer. We will hold plenty of stock for propagation on large scale. Champion sdlg. and most beautiful flower in show, losing show champ. by a split hair to our entry of Rose Defiant at Wellsville 1940. Second Midwest 1941 with damaged florets. One that will take some beating in the future. No. 3, each \$3.00; No. 4 and 5, each, \$1.50; No. 6, each, \$1.00; blts., each, 20c; 10 for \$1.50.



High Finance Described on Page 16

PEARL NECKLACE

Mammoth White X Janet

(70 Days) . . . Large ruffled cream with deep creamy yellow throat. Stems always straight. Good propagator. good placement. Top commercial. Forty-one inches tall, 24 inch flowerhead, 16 buds, six open, 5 color, 5 inch floret. 1939—First three spike and voted the most beautiful flower in show by the exhibitors at Mahoning. 1940—First three spike open Ohio State. 1941—First three spike open Midwest. Large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.25; small, 50c; blts., 20c; 14 for \$2.00.

DRUM MAJOR

Commander Koehl X Tangarine

(85 Days) . . . Fine big exhibition orange with solid blotch. Has had the misfortune of not blooming for show dates but don't let anyone kid you it will not climb and no guessin'. 1940—First Ohio State as sdlg. 1941—First under another name which had to be changed. Holding all large bulbs. Each No. 3 at \$2.00; Nos. 4, 5 and 6 at \$1.00; blts., 20c each; 14 for \$2.00.

WEDDING GOWN

Mammoth White X Peggy Lou

(90 Days) . . . Plain petaled clear cream exhibition. Fine all around performer, both show and commercial. Has wonderful keeping qualities as a cut flower. Fifty-nine inches tall, 22 buds, 9 open, 6 color, 4 inch floret, 29 inch flowerhead. Shown under name of Beauty's Pearl and Nature's Pearl at two shows in 1941. Name changed to above. First both one and three spike open Southeastern Mich. 1941. First year award H. M. 1940. Second year award commendation 1941 at Empire State. If you wish to get a start in a good two way glad we recommend this one most highly. Large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.00; small, 60c; blts., 20c; 14 for \$2.00.

APRICOT MODEL

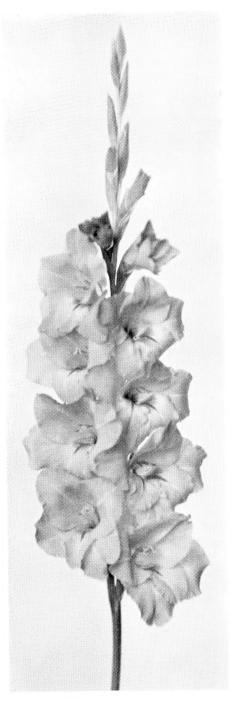
Mother Machree X Pfitzer's Triumph

(75 Days) . . . A large new dec. apricot that is good in a weak color class. Crooks some under certain weather conditions. Planting and growing conditions the past two years have kept it out of shows through no fault of its own. 1939—First at Mahoning in very large class which if we remember correctly called for eight color classes. Owing to wire worm infection in 1940, stock none too plentiful yet. Each, large, \$1.50; medium, \$1.00; small, 50c; blts., 15c; 12 for \$1.50.

LITTLE WARRIOR

Morocco X Red Lory

(74 Days) . . . Fanciers liking the little fellows will be interested in this very out of the ordinary color



Fashion Plate Described on Page 17

and type. Heavily lacinated glistening dark coppery red. Petals like spring steel. Commands attention as it is one small dec. that draws you. Thirty inches tall, 14 buds, 4 open, 5 color, 3 inch floret. 1939—First and sectional champion Maryland. 1941—First three spike sdlg. and first three spike open Ohio State. Little Warrior will war dance you happy. Large, \$1.00; medium, 70c; small, 40c; blts., 10c; 14 for \$1.00.

CUT UP

Yellow Perfection X Pfitzer's Triumph

(85 Days) . . . Lacinated dec. yellow. Tall strong straight stem. Strong attachment. Good placement. Sixty inches tall, 16 buds, 5 open, 4 inch floret. First and divisional champion Midwest. First three spike open Ohio State, only times shown. If you like lacinated varieties, CUT UP is a neat trick that will please you. No. 1, 2 or 3 size, \$3.00; No. 4, 5 or 6 at \$2.00 each. Blts., each, 30c.

1941 RELEASES

KING CLICK

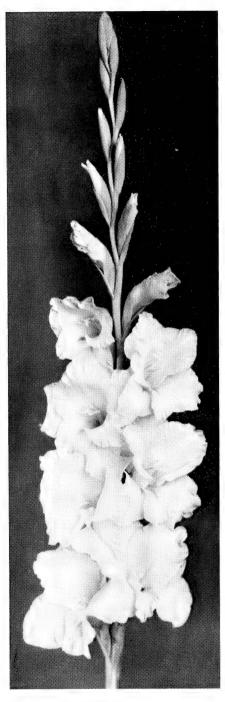
Red Lory X Picardy

(90 Days) . . . Big ruffled exhibition red. Five and one-half inch floret, 9 open, 21 buds, 60 inches tall, 29 inch flowerhead. More ruffling and buds than Ohio Nonpareil but florets not quite as large and not as tall a grower. We will be out of large bulbs early but will have good stock in medium and small. With more large bulbs in distribution, it is our guess that King Click will be tearing down the big ribbons. 1940—Our three spike entry took American Home Ach., one spike of which was champ. sdlg. and champion of the show, at Ohio State. H. M. at Empire State. 1941—First one spike open, best R. I. sec. champ. and champion of show Southeastern Mich. First one spike and first three spike (grown from blts.), Iowa State Fair. Each, 1, \$1.00; 2, 80c; 3, 60c; 4, 50c; 5. 40c; 6, 30; 12 at 10 rate. Bulblets, each, 10c; 10 for 70c; 100 for \$4.00.

KING TAN

Red Phipps X Marmora

(80 Days) . . . Large exhibition rosy tan, a striking color all its own. All seem to like it. Lack of large bulbs has prevented more winning. Nineteen buds, 7-8 open, 48 inches tall, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inch floret, 29 inch flowerhead. 1940 winner of American Home Ach., Wellsville. 1941—First one spike open W. Va. First both one and three spike open Wellsville. First one spike open and best one spike of show ex. class S. E. Mich. Same prices at King Click.



Lavender Ruffles Described on Page 18

FULL HAND

Betty Nuthall X Our Selection

(95 Days) . . . Light smoky salmon pink, buff blotch. Twenty-one buds, 10-14 open, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inch floret, 46 inches tall. Strong straight stem. 1940—Most open florets in show at both Ohio State and Empire State. 1941—First one spike Cedar Rapids, Ia. First Eastern N. Y. First A. A. Midwest. Second to King Tan (16 entries) W. Va. A. M. W. Va. Trial Gardens. Same prices as King Click.

BRIDE'S DELIGHT

Picardy X Janet

(70 Days) . . . Big cameo pink with clear creamy yellow throat beautifully ruffled and wide open. Always very clear coloring in pastel shades. Tall stretchy flowerhead minus openwork. Not more than six open. Six inch floret, 19 buds, 28 inch flowerhead, 58 inches tall. Excellent propagator and a comer as a top commercial. Only fault is some bad placement. It's beauty is a drawing card anywhere. Right now is the time to get in on this one, Mr. Commercial Bulb Grower. 1940—Tallest spike W. Va., the first and only spike in bloom at that time. Runner up for American Home Ach., Wellsville. 1941—First one spike W. Va. First one spike Wellsville. Same prices as King Click.

SIGNAL OHIO

Tycho Zang X Commander Koehl

(90 Days) . . . Another big tall ex. type red that is really good. But little shown to date. First year in the shows 1941. We put three spike open in Southeastern Mich., each spike with 29 buds, beaten for first by our own entry of Ohio Nonpareil. Special most buds and bloom in show, second to our Ohio Nonpareil three spike open class Ohio State. Second to our own entry of Ohio Nonpareil at Wellsville. First Nebraska State. Most florets and buds Empire State. This one sure packs a real ex. spike. Same prices as King Click.

FRANCES M. IRWIN

Tangarine X Minuet

(90 Days) . . . Color quite distinct, somewhat of a lavender rose. Shows in light rose ex. class. Solid blotch. Florists have been grabbing this in a big way. While we had to exhibit from planting stock, we had really magnificent spikes of this last summer and we predict a great future for it. Excellent propagator and fine performer in both field and show. We just can't say enough good things about it. With a fair stock we have cut the price to where all can pick up a good start. Fifty inches tall, 20-22 buds, 8 open, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inch

floret, 26 inch flowerhead. First year shown 1941. First three spike open Midwest. First one spike from No. 5 bulb at Iowa State and N. E. G. S. regional, Algona, Ia. First S. W. Va. from No. 5 bulb. Each—Large, \$1.00; medium, 70c; small, 40c; blts., 10c; 15 for \$1.00; 100 for \$4.00.

JULES AMOTT

Morocco X Commander Koehl

(76 Days) . . . One of the very finest all around reds today. Snappy, velvety dragon red self of exhibition type. In big demand on the wholesale cut flower market the past season, bringing top prices and grown from planting stock. Under certain weather conditions has a tendency to make extra petals. At this year's prices commercial growers can get going on it. Healthy strong grower in both bulbs and foliage. Excellent propagator. Winnings count even though it had a tough time securing firsts for us, shown in the same class with Ohio Nonpareil and King Click at some shows where the classes run together. The winner of first three spikes open with Jules Amott at N. E. G. S. Boston in 1940 had only four spikes to select from. Seventy inches tall, 25 buds, (we had some 26 buds the past summer) 10 open, 30 inch flowerhead, 5 inch floret. Bulbs of fine shape and heavily ruffled husk. 1937—Second to Peggy Lou as sdlg. under number Penna. State. 1940—First one spike, first three spike, first vase of ten at Wellsville. First three spike open N. E. G. S. Boston. First three spike Ohio State. First three spike Conn. State. First one spike Worlds Fair, N. Y. 1941—First one spike and first three spike open, special best red in show with 26 buds and 32 inch flowerhead W. Va. First R. I. second three spike open to our entry of Ohio Nonpareil Southeastern Mich. First three spike open Empire State. First Ohio State Fair. First Iowa State Fair grown from bulblet. First one spike and first three spike Cedar Rapids, Ia. First Eastern N. Y. First three spike open Boston. Best R. I. N. E. G. S. sdlg. meeting and one of three runners up for show champ, Boston. First Springfield, Ill. First one spike Sioux City, Ia. First and second same class Waterloo, Ia. First one spike open, first R. I. Iowa State and regional Algona, Ia. Second to our own three spike entry of Signal Ohio at Ohio State.

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Each .60 .50 .40 .30 .20 .10 12 at

100 30.00 25.00 20.00 15.00 10.00 5.00 10 rate

Blts., dozen, 40c; 100 at \$1.50; 1000 at \$10.00.

MRS. RICHARD McGOVERN

Dr. Bennett X Mother Machree

(75 Days) . . . We need to say but little about this fine ex. orange scarlet. Given half a growing chance we could always depend on it to come through for top ribbons at any show. Persistently good performer and excellent propagator. Bulbs very clean, winning for most perfect bulb at two bulb shows last winter. The cut we are showing is not from a representative spike and from No. 3 bulb. Has a small blotch just noticeable on level with the eye. Made up to 24 buds the past summer. Fifty-two inches tall, 25 inch flowerhead, 10 open, 4 inch floret. As sdlg. under number in 1937 took the blue at three different shows with only three large bulbs in existence. 1939—First in large class Mahoning. First and second open same class, first and second R. I. same class Ohio State. 1940— First R. I. and first three spike open Ohio State. First three spike open Empire State. First one spike Worlds Fair N. Y. First Ames, Ia. First Algona, Ia. A. M. W. Va. Trial Gardens. 1941—First one and three spike open and Award of Merit W. Va. Trial Garden. First open Wellsville. First open and first R. I. Southeastern Mich. First three spike, first R. I. and sec. champ. Ohio State. First three spike Empire State. First Ohio State Fair. First one spike Ames, Ia. First three spike Iowa State and regional, Algona, Ia. First one spike, first three spike and div. champ. Cedar Rapids, Ia. First three spike open Boston. First Eastern N. Y. First Waterloo, Ia. Each, large, 60c; medium 40c; small, 20c; 12 at 10 rate. Blts., 10 for 40c; 100 at \$2.00; 1000 at \$12.00.

MAMMOTH OHIO

Commander Koehl X Pfitzer's Triumph

(80 Days) . . . One of the big boys that is well liked. Has a habit of buckling a petal frequently but the size and color are there. Indian lake shading to rose doree to throat. Cream lips. Husky grower. Florets to 8½ inches. Thirty-two inch flowerhead, 20 buds, 68 inches tall, 5-6 open. Sells well as a cut flower and entered for the largest floret in show has not been beaten yet and we have traveled many miles to show it against the largest. Largest floret at four different shows in 1939. Largest floret at Ohio State, Wellsville and Empire State in 1940. Repeating in 1941 at all three. Each, large, 50c; medium, 30c; small 10c; blts., 10 for 30c; 100 for \$1.50.

TREASURY GOLD

Betty Nuthall X Pfitzer's Triumph

(90 Days) . . . This big exhibition clear rich golden salmon self has been causing a real sensation at the shows and at our gardens the past two years. Cut flower dealers are hounding us to grow it in larger quantities for them, which we probably will. Very strong grower in both bulb and foliage. Foliage makes nine leaves standing 46 inches tall. Bulb large and fine shaped with heavy ruffled husk. Our planting of No. 1-2 sizes last summer averaged a height of six feet overall, with flowerhead 36 inches and up to 27 buds, eight or better open, 6 inch floret. Strong propagator. Blts. small but germinate close to 100 per cent and grow well. On a commercial basis you can not invest your dollars to any better advantage. A lot will be heard from Treasury Gold at the shows in the next few years. Winnings 1939—American Home Ach., one spike of which was champion sdlg. and runner up show champ, on the second ballot of judges. Many thought it easily champion. We had to show the first three spikes to bloom, no other choice. 1940— First best spike Ohio origination, first three spike open, first R. I. sec. champ. We exhibited the first five spikes to bloom, entered in three classes, all going to judging table to compete for show champion, where it was beaten on a very difficult decision by our own entry of King Click. All at Ohio State. First three spike open, one spike of which was best one spike open ex. sec. champion, second R. I. to a marvelous spikeour own entry—of Ohio Nonpareil at Empire State. Vote of Commendation Md. Trial Garden. 1941— First one spike and first three spike open Southeastern Mich. First three spike open which was champion three spike ex. of show, and tallest spike in show Ohio State. First three spike open Empire State. First N. E. G. S. Boston. First open and first R. I. Wisconsin State. Vote of Commendation W. V. Trial Garden. Our three spikes taken to Midwest were too tall for the truck and were badly damaged. For those that did not see them we might mention we had Treasury Gold the past summer with 38 inch flowerheads. This is a knockout for sure.

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Each 1.00 .80 .70 .55 .40 .25 12 at

100 50.00 35.00 24.00 18.00 15.00 10.00 10 rate

Blts., 10 at 70c; 100 at \$4.00; 1000 at \$20.00.

ROSE DEFIANT

Commander Koehl X Picardy

(82 Days) . . . Ruffled and frilled old rose self with light picotee of cream. Very good ex. type spikes and a fine performer. Our shortage of large bulbs has prevented us from showing but sparingly in the past. A top threat in any man's show. Good propagator and grower. Our statement last year, "Wish we had a million," still stands. We consider it one of the finest, if not THE finest in its color section today. See it and you want it. Twenty buds, 9 open, 5 inch floret, 26 inch flowerhead, 50 inches tall. Straight strong stem. Placement always good with us. 1938—Grand champion sdlg. and reserve champion of show Wellsville. 1940—First one spike, first three spike, sec. champion, show champion Wellsville. First R. I. Ohio State. 1941 -First R. I. Ohio State. First R. I. and sec. champ. also runner up show champion, Midwest. Prices same as King Click.

OHIO NONPAREIL

Picardy X Commander Koehl

(90 Days) . . . Big red scarlet exhibition and commercial that is receiving a lot of comment. At twelve shows in the past two years we have seen no better red. We will not say now which is the best red, Ohio Nonpareil or King Click, they'll have to fight it out in the shows in the same class. Any way you look at it, they're ribbon cashers. Ohio Nonpareil is a fine propagator though blts. are small. We are more interested in propagating this one for cut flowers than selling bulbs. Twenty buds, 9 open, 27 inch flowerhead, 62 inches tall. We have grown it to 70 inches. 1938—Champion sdlg. Mahoning. 1939—First Md. State. 1940—First R. I. Ohio State. First R. I. and sec. champ. Eastern N. Y. First R. I. and sec. champ. Empire State. 1941—First three spike open Midwest. First one spike, first three spike, first R. I. and sec. champ. Wellsville. First one spike open, first three spike open and sec. champ. Southeastern Mich. Sec. champ. A. A. Ohio State. First three spike open N. E. G. S. Boston. First Eastern N. Y. First and show champion Conn. State. Best R. I. at N. E. G. S. sdlg. meeting. At Conn. State a special class calling for cash entry fee, winner take all, with sixteen entries, won by Mr. W. M. Anderson with Ohio Nonpareil. Same prices at King Click.

GRAY PHANTOM

Mother Machree X Roderick Dhu

(90 Days) . . . A fine big smoky orange gray with velvety orange crimson blotch. A distinctively different shade in glads that fanciers are appreciating. Will give

a good account of itself at shows where it does not have to compete with High Finance in same class. Twenty buds, 7 open, 6 inch floret, 30 inch flowerhead, 62 inches tall. First three spike open, sec. champion and N. E. G. S. Vote of Thanks award at Empire State 1941. Same prices as King Click.

ORIENTAL DISPLAY

Commander Koehl X Morocco

(90 Days) . . . Big dazzling scarlet red ex. grown under good conditions to 72 inches and better. Twenty buds, 7 open, 7 inch floret, 30 inch flowerhead. Shortage of large bulbs in past has prevented much showing. 1938—First as sdlg. Penna. State. 1939—First Wellsville. Wire worm damage terrific in 1940. 1941—First Waterloo, Ia. Each, large, 50c; medium, 25c; blts. 10 for 40c; 100 for \$2.00. No small this year as blts. were overlooked at planting time.

BUCKEYE ROSE

Picardy X Aflame

(87 Days) . . . Smoky old rose showing very little smoke. Different shade and type from Rose Defiant, showing in orange class at some shows. Large decorative. Five inch floret, 8 open, 20 buds, 27 inch flowerhead, 55 inches tall. Fine stem and placement. Excellent propagator. Color too dark for commercial but excellent for show room. Will do a lot of winning. 1937—First as sdlg. Wellsville. 1940—First R. I. Ohio State. First three spike Eastern N. Y. 1941—First three spike open, first R. I. Midwest. First one spike open, first R. I. Southeastern Mich. First Conn. State. Best spike Wilson origination Wellsville. Second to our three spike entry of Gray Phantom Empire State. Each, large, 40c; medium, 25c; small, 10c; 12 at 10 rate. 100 L at \$25.00; M. \$15.00; S. \$7.00; blts., 15 for 50c; 100 for \$1.60.

HIGH FINANCE

Minuet X Picardy

(97 Days) . . . Smoky light orange with cream throat blotch. Light ruffling. An exhibition type spike that is hard to beat even when poorly grown. Our prediction is that this will be the heaviest winning smoky yet introduced when large bulbs are better distributed. We are holding a good stock to catch 1942 shows, feeling so cock sure of ourselves in its ability to snatch top ribbons. Customers who have bought even small bulbs are very extravagant in their praise. Too many good things cannot be said about this fine smoky. Study the cut in this catalogue and you'll agree

it has IT all over. Tall, strong, stiff stem. Excellent placement. Six to seven inch floret, 9 open, 21 buds, 28 inches and better flowerhead, 70 inches tall. Planted in good soil last summer grew to seven feet as measured by many visitors, and this without any support. Always good performer and fine propagator. Sould be in your planting by all means in 1942. You'll thank us. 1937—Champion sdlg. and champion of show Mahoning. Stock too scarce for show until 1941, in meantime we were using all available spikes from large bulbs for hybridizing. 1941 shows. First spike to bloom taken to W. Va., won special for longest flowerhead in show, was tallest spike also, though no award. First one spike open and tallest spike in show Wellsville. First R. I. Ohio State. First three spike open Empire State. First one spike Iowa State Fair with twelve entries in class. Same prices as King Click.

FASHION PLATE

Picardy X Janet

(80 Days) . . . Large ruffled cream with yellow throat and light narrow feather of lavender. Well open and good exhibition type. Five and one-half inch floret, 8 to 9 open, 28 inch flowerhead, 19 buds, 62 inches tall. A real show glad and one of our top sellers as a cut flower. One large florist suggested he would take all the cut spikes we could raise of it next summer. 1940—First Ohio State. First Eastern N. Y. from No. 5 bulb at both shows. 1941—First one spike open W. Va. First three spike open Midwest. First R. I. and second to our own Wedding Gown at Southeastern Mich. First N. E. G. S. Boston. First one spike Sioux City, Ia. Same prices as BUCKEYE ROSE.

PURPLE CLASSIC

Tycho Zang Paul Pfitzer

(86 Days) . . . A fine new purple that sold well last year in medium and small. With large bulbs well distributed will make gladiolus history in 1942. Nearest true purple yet introduced. For a purple was in big demand as a cut flower. Twenty-two blue ribbons from major 1941 shows is ample testimony of its value as a show glad. Straight stem. Excellent placement. Heavy propagator. With our favorable growing season the past summer Purple Classic made marvelous spikes with 24 buds of exhibition type. Four and onehalf inch floret, 8 open, 25 inch flowerhead, 50 inches tall. In Wisconsin Horticulture Mr. E. A. Lins said, "Purple Classic. Did not expect anything to beat Purple Beauty but this does it. Excellent performance." 1939—First Penna. State. First Mahoning. 1940—First and judged most beautiful flower from No. 5 bulb at W. Va. First and sec. champ. Wisconsin State. First one and first three spike Wellsville. First Ames, Ia., grown from blt. First three spike Ohio State. First three spike open from planting stock Empire State. First Md. State. Second three spike open with damaged florets N. E. G. S. Boston. 1941—First one spike open, first three spike open, first basket 25 spikes W. Va. First open three spike Midwest. First one spike open, first three spike open Wellsville. First one spike open, first R. I. Southeast Mich. First three spike open Empire State. First Southwest Va. First one spike, first three spike Ames, Ia. First one spike, first three spike Waterloo, Ia. First one spike and first three spike, first amateur at Cedar Rapids, Ia. First Conn. State. First and second in class Sioux City, Ia. First one spike Iowa State and regional, Algona, Ia. First and div. champion Indiana State.

Each .50 .40 .35 .30 .20 .10 12 at 100 30.00 25.00 20.00 15.00 10.00 6.00 10 rate 90.00 80.00 60.00 40.00

Blts., 14 at 50c; 100 at \$2.25; 1000 at \$15.00; quart, \$70.00.

LAVENDER RUFFLES

Janet X Minuet

(69 Days) . . . Light ruffled pinkish lavender. Nothing stands out more beautiful in floral work for which it is in enormous demand. We have sold cut spikes by the thousands blooming from bulblet at top prices. At the price we are quoting this year, no reason why growers can not stock it. Excellent report from Florida. Strong propagator of blts. of easy germination. Not full exhibition type and while we have shown it in ex. class, would have won many more ribbons if shown as a large decorative. 1939—First three spike open against four entries of Minuet at Ohio State. First vase and judged most beautiful flower at Wellsville. First from No. 3 bulb Sioux City, Ia. 1940-First one and first three spike in both open and amateur at Algona, Ia. First one spike and first basket Wellsville. First three spike open and first three spike commercial and first basket Ohio State. First one spike Conn. State. First one spike and first three spike Westport, Conn. First three spike Mich. State. 1941— First one spike, first three spike W. Va. First three spike Midwest. First open Wellsville. First R. I. Southeastern Mich. First R. I. Ohio State. First three spike open Empire State. First one and first three spike Iowa State and regional, Algona, Ia. First one and three spike Iowa State Fair. First one spike, first three spike, first artistic arrangement, and divisional champion Cedar Rapids, 1a. First Springfield, Ill. First one spike, first three spike, first R. I. Sioux City, Ia. First Waterloo, Ia. Sure proves it has a lot on the ball, without mentioning its complexion. Commercial growers, here's your cue all chalked. Tie up with LAVENDER RUFFLES—NOW—at these prices and cash in.

3 1 Each .16 .14 .12 .10 .08 .06 12 at 100 10.00 9.00 8.00 7.00 6.00 4.00 10 rate 1000 70.00 65.00 55.00 45.00 35.00 20.00

Blts., 1000 at \$2.00; quart at \$8.00; peck at \$45.00; bushel, \$125.00.

MALAY CHIEF

Morocco X Commander Koehl

(70 Days) . . . Dark purple red with glistening black sheen. Next to blackest of all reds. Strong, tall grower, always straight. Very strong attachment. Some bad placement, but when right, is unbeatable in its color section. 1939—Six firsts and one second to own first. 1940—First and second three spike Ohio State. First three spike open Empire State. Three firsts Sioux City, Ia. First Algona, Ia. Award of Merit W. Va. Trial Garden. 1941—First one spike, first three spike and first R. I. Southeastern, Mich. First R. I. Ohio State. First three spike open Empire State. First one spike and first three spike Oedar Rapids, Ia. First one spike Waterloo, Ia. First N. E. G. S. Boston. First Springfield, Ill. Each, large, 15c; medium 10c; small, 5c; 12 at 10 rate. Per 100 L \$7.00; M \$5.00; S \$3.00. Blts., 1000 \$4.00.

BOMBAY

Janet X Betty Nuthall

(68 Days) . . . Smoky coppery old rose. Ruffled and fluted with small velvety cherry blotch bordered slate. Our favorite colored smoky, well liked by all. 1940—First three spike open, first amateur Wellsville. First three spike N. E. G. S. Boston. First three spike Wisconsin State. 1941—First one spike open and first A. A. W. Va. First one spike and first R. I. Wisconsin State. First R. I. Ohio State. Prices same as Malay Chief.

PEGGY LOU

Apricot Glow X Emile Aubrun

(81 Days) . . . Our first origination and climbing high both as exhibition and commercial. This fine big pure pink needs no comments as it is too well known everywhere. We have not attempted to keep

a record of its winnings the past two years. We planted no blts. of Peggy Lou in 1941, so have only a limited amount of No. 1, 2 and 3 to fill small retail orders. In all due respect to this fine glad, the price is too low now and after all we are hybridizing, not growing commercially, which is beyond our time and facilities. Prices of Peggy Lou for 1942. Per dozen, No. 1, 90c; No. 2, 65c; No. 3, 45c; blts., 100 at 15c; 1000 at \$1.00; quart, \$4.00.

HERE IS YOUR PAY CHECK

Our big bonus plan that has delighted so many customers the past two years. Our bonus bulbs for 1940 were Purple Classic and Fashion Plate. For 1941 Frances M. Irwin and Signal Ohio. All going good. For 1942 we will uphold this record with two fine new ones that have never been shown, with the assurance you will be well pleased. Our former bonus bulbs had never been shown prior to our bonus offer except Purple Classic in its sdlg. year. Note what they have been doing. With each and every \$5.00 retail order direct from this list to us, we will give two small bulbs of one and one small bulb of the other of the following two new varieties.

BIG SHOT

Peggy Lou X Mammoth Ohio

(85 Days) . . . Enormous cream with pink tips nicely blended. Few flecks on extreme tips. Visitors seeing this in our plantings fell hard for it. Eight inch floret, 45 inches tall, 25 inch flowerhead, 5 open, 5 color, 17 buds. Good propagator. Straight stems. To those wishing to buy stock the price is \$3.00 each for any size. Blts., each, 30c.

BUSH RANGER

Commander Koehl X Morocco

(90 Days) . . . Big, tall, ex. red orange. Strong propagator and husky grower. We look for this to go strong, both as an exhibition and commercial. Sixty-five inches tall, 7 open, 20 buds, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inch floret, good stretchy flowerhead. Same prices as Big Shot.

On each \$5.00 order as specified this gives you a \$9.00 value in bonus bulbs free and easily worth it.

Another Surprise. With each \$10.00 retail order direct to us we will include one small bulb of Pay Roll, (a 1943 introduction). First and best exhibition sdlg. in show at Southeastern Mich. First Ohio State. H. M. Empire State. All 1941 under number first time shown. A much improved Premier Henry with larger

florets and better flowerhead. No stock for sale this year. A fine propagator but we wish to build up a stock.

We may be compelled to substitute blts. for bulbs on the bonus to late orders with the equivalent in value. The larger bulbs to earliest orders in rotation. *Important Notice*. The bonus bulbs do not apply on orders for Peggy Lou or Lavender Ruffles or on quantities over the 12 at 10 rate for bulbs, or over the, at 10 rate for bulblets on any variety we list. Orders will be shipped in spring when weather permits unless otherwise specified. On retail express shipments if specified (Ship collect) for carriage, we will include extras over and above all to much more than recompence the customer. To new 1942 customers we again wish to remind you that our very generous extras and overcount will take your breath away, and we handle nothing but our own originations.

As we were so busy exhibiting at the 1941 shows during August our time was very limited for pollenizing; consequently, we made very few crosses and only those we felt should have real possibilities. We have a small amount of seed to spare over and above our own requirements and to avoid overselling will request inquiries for prices and amount on following crosses. Treasury Gold X Mrs. Richard McGovern; Purple Supreme X Sdlg. X-121, (Big ruffled plum self of excellent performance); High Finance X Gray Phantom; Sdlg. B-1578 (Big exhibition yellow, 6 ft. tall) X King Midas and Edith Grace X Fashion Plate. The past summer we had thousands of sdlgs, to bloom their first, many of which were breathtaking, especially in crosses with Treasury Gold; High Finance; Gray Phantom; Mrs. Richard McGovern; Ohio Nonpareil and Jules Amott as seed parents. Many of these were in various shades of chocolate and brown, mostly ruffled. Lavender Ruffles is also giving us some very fine sdlgs. in pastel shades. We have many fine sdlgs. on test over a period of from three to five years, some of which will undoubtedly make the top class, insuring top quality introductions of Wilson origination for the next few years. One of our largest cataloguers wrote me last winter that he did not see how we could introduce so many in one year and all be good. Our explanation to this is, we have been hybridizing on such a large scale, always using the nearest possible perfect spikes of each subject along with careful analysis of each individual cross. It is therefore possible that we should secure a fair amount of worth while new originations. We have been striving to secure more budage, longer flowerheads and height. Too many introductions the past few years have stubby

flowerheads minus a well proportioned spike. Too many of our judges lose sight of proportion. With us this is of great importance. We are securing excellent results along the above lines which are receiving recognition in our best shows in the ability of our originations to travel distances and win at the other fellows shows.

One thing we wish to impress upon you is that all retail orders are made up by G. W. himself, not being left to employees. Each individual order is given careful consideration as to overcount and extras in accordance with stock on hand. All old customers will tell you we play Santa Claus at all times with the sky as the limit. We have not built up our present business by being miserly. Many customers have asked us how we make any money. We are satisfied and our customers are advertisers we are proud of.

We met many fine people at the 1941 shows and while it was quite a grind and we were gasping for breath at the finish, we had a whale of a swell time from the word GO till we came under the wire. From there on we were busy collecting on our tickets.

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We could fill this catalogue with testimonials but do not wish to make it look like an almanac. Ninety percent of the testimonials in glad catalogues are unknowns to us. How about you?

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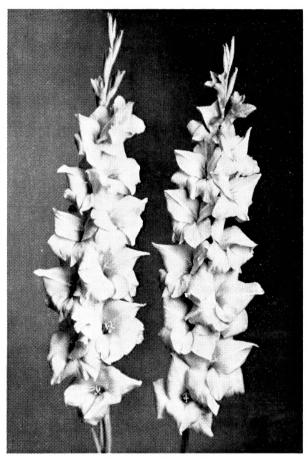
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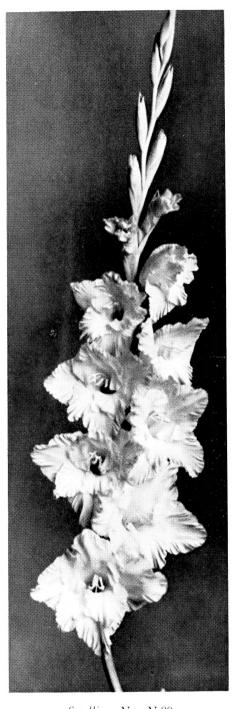
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At the last moment we decided to run cuts again this year of sdlg. No. 166-Z and sdlg. No. N-89, as we had so many inquiries about stock. These two sdlgs. will undoubtedly be introduced in 1943. Both performed in wonderful shape the past summer but we were unable to catch show dates from large bulbs and feel that they will do some real winning for us at the 1942 shows. Keep your eye on this pair. In addition we have a big tall exhibition yellow and a heavily ruffled strawberry pink that have been showing great promise.



Seedling No. 166-Z. Both from No. 3 Bulbs. Lavender Gray . . . 6½ Inch Floret.



Seedling No. N-89 Most Ruffled Floret, Ohio State 1940